



Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Susan C. Lindblade, Pastor

Sunday, April 30, 2023 – 11:00 AM

“Take Your Candle, Go Light Your World”



Bringing in the Light of Christ

Barbara Gadkowski

Prelude

Anita Cotton

*Call to Worship

Marshall Cherry

Leader: O Sing to the Lord a new song; Sing to the Lord all the earth!

People: Sing to the Lord, bless God's name; proclaim God's salvation from day to day.

Leader: Declare the Lord's glory among the nations, God's marvelous works among all the people!

All: For Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!!

*Hymn of Praise

“To God Be the Glory”

CH 56

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Susan Lindblade

Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Special Music

"The Baptism of Jesse Taylor"

Preston Murray

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SINGING THE GREAT HYMNS OF THE CHURCH

Story Behind “Just A Closer Walk with Thee”

Hymn

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

CH 564

Favorite Hymns

Congregational Choice

Call out the name & page number

Story Behind “Heaven Came Down”

Hymn

"Heaven Came Down"

CH 510

Special Music

"I've Found A Faithful Friend"

Preston Murray

Favorite Hymns

Congregational Choice

Call out the name & page number

*Closing Hymn

"Because He Lives"

CH 358

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Sending Forth

“He Is Lord”

On Screen/ CH 34

*Postlude

Anita Cotton

(*) Please stand as you are able

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Sun. Apr. 30	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship Happy Birthday to Ken Elliott
Thurs. May 4	CANCELED - 7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
Sun. May 7	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship 12:30 pm – Sunday Lunch Bunch (BJ's)

 Sing unto the
Lord
a new song!
Psalm 96:1

WORSHIP TEAMS

APRIL 30

Acolyte: Barbara Gadkowski
Greeters: Bobbie Piper & Noreen McCarthy
Worship Leader: Marshall Cherry
Ushers: Ken & Debra Elliott
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Cathy Forbes
Trustee: Bob Gadkowski

MAY 7

Acolyte: Marshall Cherry
Greeters: Jan Eanes & Sylvia Kirk
Worship Leader: Mager Kirk
Ushers: Joyce Jagucki & Noreen McCarthy
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Danielle Skinner & AB Donski
Trustee: Anita Cotton

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Sunday Lunch Bunch, May 7, 12:30 pm** – We will meet Sunday, May 7, immediately after church at BJ's Restaurant. We will meet the first Sunday of each month at a local restaurant for fellowship and a meal together.
- **Bible Study, Tuesday, May 9, 10:00 am** – The Bible Study on "Act Like Jesus: How Can I Put My Faith Into Action" will resume on Tuesday, May 9 at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
- **SUMC 2023 Scholarships**
 - Sharon UMC is honored and privileged to be the administrator of the \$1,000 **Lloyd Bateman** and \$1,000 **Nurse Lucy Scholarships**. The scholarships are open to the Sharon UMC family and to children and grandchildren of members of Sharon UMC, who meet the criteria established for either of the scholarships and submits a completed application no later than May 5, 2023.
 - **The Currituck Community Chorus Music Scholarship** in the amount of \$500 will be administered by Sharon United Methodist Church with a Scholarship Committee that will determine the awarding of the scholarship. The scholarship is open to anyone who graduates from Currituck County Schools (public, private, or home schooled) and submits a completed application no later than May 5, 2023.
 - For more information, please contact Iris Meekins at imeekins14@gmail.com or (252) 202-6401.
- **Recorded Worship Services** – Each week the recorded Worship Service is posted to our YouTube Channel. If you missed a service or would like to watch past services, you can visit our YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/@sharonumcpoplarbranchnc9028. You can also click the YouTube link at the bottom of our website www.sharon-umc.org.
- **Altar Flowers 2023** – If you would like to place altar flowers in the church "in memory of" or "in honor of" a special person, please contact Iris Meekins at imeekins14@gmail.com or (252) 202-6401.
- **Red Wagon Ministry** – The Red Wagon ministry is in need of **Baby Diapers (any size)**. A collection container has been placed in the entryway.

FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2023 Monthly Budget	Received Last Month (March)	Received Last Sunday
\$6,463.50	\$5,890.00	\$745.68

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